

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Jasparro, Pearson, Blackburn and Filippi. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Deputy Director Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #050492: Mount St. Rita Health Centre, for the property located at 15 Sumner Brown Road, Cumberland. DSFM James Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Jasparro and Blackburn, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance, based on structural hardship, to allow the facility to be maintained despite the partial construction type of III(211), and is also granted a variance, based on structural hardship, to maintain the cited exit stairways that do not meet the dimensional criteria. Finally, the Applicant is granted a time variance of 90 days to correct any outstanding deficiencies noted on the AHJ's May 28, 2008 inspection report. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070174: Mr. John Conway, for the property located at 3415 Mendon Road, Cumberland. ADSFM Claude Laflamme appeared for the Cumberland Hill Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Pearson and Filippi, to grant a variance on items 5 and 9 of the Marshal's March 9, 2007

report and to further grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days from the date of the decision in which to correct any other outstanding deficiencies in this facility, or to have the new owner bring the facility into compliance. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060122B: Rev. Michael J. Woolley, for the property located at 1210 Mendon Road, Woonsocket. ADSFM David Beaubien appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion directing the Applicant to correct the deficiency caused by the implementation of inside classrooms by constructing two corridors within this facility, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060010: Mr. Michael Rynn, for the property located at 36 Prosser Trail, Charlestown. ADSFM Dennis McGarty appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear.

APPEAL #050933: Woodridge Church, for the property located at 546 Budlong Road, Cranston. DSFM Christopher Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Filippi and Jasparro, to grant the Applicant a variance on item #2 of the AHJ's August 7, 2007 inspection report, and further grant the Applicant a time variance of 30 days to provide the requested documentation to the State Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080132: Mr. Herbert Bellini, for the property located at 985 Atwood Avenue, Johnston. ADSFM John Jasper and ADSFM Carlo Jackvone appeared for the Johnston Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pearson, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days to correct all of the outstanding deficiencies, including, but not limited to, the installation of 6 pull stations in this facility. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080127: N.E. Ventures, for the property located at 15 Wellstown Road, Ashaway. Chief Williams did not appear in person, but testified by letter. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant the Applicant a time variance until 1-1-09 to connect the sprinkler system to the water system, provided that the Applicant installs protective covers on the sprinkler heads with signage signifying that the sprinkler system is not functional, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the AHJ. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080129: Mr. Raymond L. Porfilio, for the property located at 210 Airport Street, North Kingstown. DSFM Wade Palazini appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro, to grant the Applicant's requested relief, provided that in lieu of trench drains, he provides a collection area such as a small sump or a grooved area,

with a routine cleaning schedule, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080138: Home and Hospice Care of RI, for the property located at 1085 North Main Street, Providence. DSFM David Hart and DSFM Wade Palazini appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant a variance from the provisions of section 19.1.6. The Board further directs the Applicant to correct deficiency 2 by creating a separation on the second floor of this facility, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

Under old business, the Board continued to review the provisions for smoke detection/carbon monoxide detection in three-family dwellings, and took testimony from interested parties. This matter continues to be under review.

Respectfully submitted,

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